

Marian Yesufu

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Los Angeles, CA

Education

- MFA - Present - New York Film Academy - Los Angeles CA
 - Impro Theater - Narrative Improv
 - Upright Citizens Brigade - Long Form Improv/ Sketch Comedy Writing
 - California State University of Long Beach BA in Communications and Public Policy
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Experience

Freelance Producer-

Aug 2009- Present

Wrote and Edited and Color Corrected *Amaka*

Wrote and Edited *Lost Shoe*

- Responsible for the administration preproduction of various films
- Managed location permits, shooting, schedules and call sheets
- Obtained release forms from Cast and Crew

Story Pirate

Writer/Director/ Podcast Contributor

Aug 2019 - Present

- Toured the country bringing kids stories to life for kids of all walks of life.
- With our Story Love we help engage high-profile companies like NBC, and DISNEY employees to give back and help write back to over 30,000 children who have helped write stories.
- Working to make learning more engaging to under-resourced communities.
- WINNER OF THE 2020 IHEART RADIO BEST KID AND FAMILY PODCAST with the STORY PIRATES

Black Women in Comedy Festival (Annual)

Festival Organizer and Founder

Dec 2019 - Present

- Assist in developing and maintaining solid sponsors that were aligned with both the sponsor's goals and the festival goals; ensuring effective working relationships between sponsor and festival.
- Developed and maintained an ongoing dialogue with the community to which we bring the festival.
- Working knowledge of writing grants.
- Assisted in administering contracts for high-profile performers
- A live performance and film festival showcasing underrepresented artists in comedy.

Whohaha

Improv Teacher

October 2020

- Taught a 5 week Musical Improv Black History based.

CBS Diversity Showcase

Sketch Writer

Oct 2018 - Jan 2019

- Wrote over 100 sketches in a 6-month incubator for a fast-paced 1-hour live show echoing the likes of Saturday Night Live and other sketch variety shows.

Uprights Citizens Brigade

Producer/Writer

Aug 2016 - Present

- A freelancer who produces, writes, and improvises live in monthly shows.

Center for Social Dynamics

Behavior Therapist

Aug 2013 - Aug 2016

- Implemented ABA therapy which is Applied behavior analysis to children and adults on the spectrum and with autism
- Worked with School Administrators, Teachers, Parents, and medical professionals as an ally, to create comprehensive IP for clients.
- Provided training on how to write effective Lesson plan

Skills

Software

- Mac and PC proficient including Microsoft and Google Suite
- Final Draft, Keynote, AVID, and Final Cut Pro Video editing and SOUND Design with Logic Pro
- Social Media Platforms (ALL)

Other Relevant Skills

- Proficient in Script Coverage, Pitch Decks, Bible Proposal and Treatments, Graphic Design
- Efficient in office work; Emails, scheduling, and research
- Casting, All pre-production, production, and post-production Elements

Language

- Fluent in English, ASL and Yoruba

Volunteer

- Storyteller/Improviser at Therapeutic Living Centers for the Blind - **2024**
- ARRAY Videographer/Helper - Head Quarters 2019, Wrinkle In Time Compton 2018
- Tegucigalpa, Honduras: Taught English at an Orphanage/School - **2014**
- Pan African Film Festival **2008-2009**

